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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOP-
MENT (IFAD): SITE AND PRESIDENCY

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1. EMBOFF HAS DISCUSSED U.S. POSITION ON SITE AND PRESIDENCY WITH RESPONSIBLE FORMIN OFFICIAL WHO VOICED ENTIRE SUPPORT FOR OUR POSITION ON BOTH ISSUES. OFFICIAL ADDED THAT THE FRG CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE INFORMAL CONSENSUS OF THE LAST DAC MEETING WHEREIN THE WESTERN DONORS FAVORED ROME AS THE SITE OF THE FUND AND THE SAUDIA ARABIAN CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY. HE EXPECTS NO DIFFICULTY IN RESOLVING THE TWO ISSUES IN THIS FASHION AT THE APRIL PREPCON AS LONG AS THE IRANIANS DO NOT SUCCEED IN OBTAINING A RECORDED VOTE ON THE MATTER. IN A SECRET VOTE HE EXPECTS ALL OF THE WESTERN DONORS AND SOME OF THE OPEC GROUP HE MENTIONED LIBYA) TO SUPPORT ROME AND THE SAUDIA ARABIAN CANDIDACY.

2. HE AGREED THAT A DAC MEETING BEFORE THE APRIL PREPCON WOULD BE VERY USEFUL. THE FRG IS OPEN TO ANY DATES WHICH THE U.S. MIGHT WISH TO SUGGEST.

3. FRG RATIFICATION OF THE ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT IS PARTLY TIED TO APPROVAL OF THE NEW FRG BUDGET AND CANNOT BE CONCLUDED BEFORE FEBRUARY. ONCE THE BUDGET ISSUE IS RESOLVED RATIFICATION WILL COME QUICKLY AND OUR SOURCE EXPECTS EVERYTHING TO BE COMPLETED BY MARCH 1ST. STOESSEL

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